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**Dear Sir:**

**RENEWED PETITION TO WITHDRAW A HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37  
CFR 1.181**

Applicants respectfully request that the Petition to Withdraw a Holding of Abandonment Under CFR 1.181 filed May 1, 2006 be reconsidered. Although Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-3882/WGEC0037, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

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## REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Decision on Petition Under 37 CFR 1.181 mailed June 22, 2006 ("Decision"), having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 22, 2006. Please reconsider the Petition to Withdraw a Holding of Abandonment Under CFR 1.181 filed May 1, 2006 ("181 Petition") for reasons discussed below.

On May 1, 2006, Applicants filed the 181 Petition in response to a Notice of Abandonment mailed April 18, 2006 ("Notice of Abandonment"). The Notice of Abandonment was mailed in response to Applicants' failure to respond to a Notice of DO/EO Defective Response mailed August 16, 2005 ("Defective Response Notice"), which was never received by Applicants. In support of the 181 Petition, Applicants filed a declaration by R. Tanis and a copy of the docket record for the above referenced patent application, showing where the nonreceived Defective Response Notice would have been entered had it been received and docketed.

In the Decision, the Examiner takes the position that Applicants have not complied with the requirements set forth in MPEP 711.03(c). More specifically, the Examiner takes the position that to establish a showing of non receipt of the Defective Response Notice, Applicants are required to submit a docket record showing all the entries of all incoming USPTO correspondence received by Applicants within the time period that the Defective Response Notice would have been received and a docket record showing all replies docketed for September 16, 2005, which is one month from the mailing date of the Defective Response Notice.

Applicants respectfully traverse this objection. MPEP 711.03(c) states that to "minimize costs and burdens to practitioners and the Office, the Office has modified the showing required to establish nonreceipt of an Office action. The showing required to establish nonreceipt of an Office communication must include a statement from the practitioner stating that the Office communication was not received by the practitioner and attesting to the fact that a search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Office communication was not received. A copy of the docket record where the nonreceived Office communication would have been entered had it been received and

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docketed must be attached to and referenced in practitioner's statement. For example, if a three month period for reply was set in the nonreceived Office action, a copy of the docket report showing all replies docketed for a date three months from the mail date of the nonreceived Office action must be submitted as documentary proof of nonreceipt of the Office action." The MPEP is silent with respect to requiring Applicants to provide a copy of a docket record showing all the entries of all incoming USPTO correspondence received within the time period that the Defective Response Notice would have been received. Nevertheless, in the interest of expediting prosecution of the above referenced application, a docket record showing all entries of all incoming USPTO correspondence received between August 18, 2005 and August 25, 2005 (EXHIBIT A) and a docket record showing all replies that are due between September 12, 2005 and September 22, 2005 (EXHIBIT B) are submitted herewith.

Applicants also note that the Notice of Abandonment was mailed to WESTERNGECO L.L.C., 10001 RICHMOND AVENUE, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77042, while the Decision was mailed to Moser, Patterson & Sheridan, L.L.P., 3040 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 1500, Houston, Texas 77056. A change of correspondence address was submitted on October 19, 2004 to change the correspondence to **WESTERNGECO L.L.C., 10001 RICHMOND AVENUE, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77042**. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that future correspondence be directed to the proper correspondence address to avoid delay or lost of correspondence from USPTO.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the 181 Petition be reconsidered and the holding of abandonment be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,



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**EXHIBIT A**

Period from 18/AUG/2005 to 25/AUG/2005

File	Event	Reminder	Due date	Performed
53.0022 US/PCT	NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE	17/NOV/2005	17/NOV/2005	24/AUG/2005
<i>Comments:</i> 22/08/2005-RECEIVED THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEES DUE FROM THE USPTO. 24/08/2005-SENT THE ISSUE FEE TRANSMITTAL TO THE USPTO. <i>Details:</i> Priority: 16-JUN-2001 - GB - NP <i>Type:</i> PAT <i>Nature:</i> ISSUE FEE <i>Input date:</i> 22/AUG/2005 <i>Closed:</i> Yes <i>Acknowledg.:</i> 24/AUG/2005 <i>Comments - Title:</i> CONFIDENCE ESTIMATION FOR SINGLE SENSOR DATA <i>Internal reference:</i> <i>Attorney:</i> JEFF E. GRIFFIN <i>Agent:</i> WILLIAMS, MORGAN & AMERSON, PC				
14.0197 US/PCT	FILING			13/OCT/2003
<i>Comments:</i> <i>Details:</i> Priority: 12-OCT-2002 - GB - NP <i>Type:</i> PAT <i>Nature:</i> 10/531,143 <i>Input date:</i> 24/AUG/2005 <i>Closed:</i> No <i>Acknowledg.:</i> <i>Comments - Title:</i> SEISMIC SENSING CABLE CATENARY SHAPE DETERMINATION <i>Internal reference:</i> <i>Attorney:</i> JEFF E. GRIFFIN <i>Agent:</i> WILLIAMS, MORGAN & AMERSON, PC				

Date: 10/AUG/2006

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## EXHIBIT B

Period from 12/SEP/2005 to 22/SEP/2005

File	Event	Reminder	Due date	Performed
594-25589 US/NP	NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE	16/SEP/2005	16/SEP/2005	24/JUN/2005
<i>Comments:</i> 20/06/2005-RECEIVED THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE FROM THE USPTO. 24/06/2005-FAXED THE ISSUE FEE TRANSMITTAL TO THE USPTO. <i>Details:</i> <i>Type:</i> PAT <i>Nature:</i> ISSUE FEE <i>Input date:</i> 20/JUN/2005 <i>Closed:</i> Yes <i>Acknowledg.:</i> 24/JUN/2005 <i>Comments - Title:</i> COMPOSITE BANDWIDTH MARINE VIBROSEIS ARRAY <i>Internal reference:</i> <i>Attorney:</i> JEFF E. GRIFFIN <i>Agent:</i> ARI PRAMUDJI				
14.0009 US/NP	EXPIRY DATE		17/SEP/2005	
<i>Comments:</i> <i>Details:</i> Priority: 17-SEP-1984 - NO - NP <i>Type:</i> PAT <i>Nature:</i> <i>Input date:</i> 23/JUL/2001 <i>Closed:</i> Yes <i>Acknowledg.:</i> <i>Comments - Title:</i> INTERACTIVE CONTOURING OF SEISMIC DATA <i>Internal reference:</i> <i>Attorney:</i> JEFF E. GRIFFIN <i>Agent:</i> HOLMAN & STERN				
594-18500 US/NP	EXPIRY DATE		18/SEP/2005	
<i>Comments:</i> <i>Details:</i> <i>Type:</i> PAT <i>Nature:</i> <i>Input date:</i> 03/OCT/2002 <i>Closed:</i> Yes <i>Acknowledg.:</i> <i>Comments - Title:</i> AIRGUN SIGNATURE TRANSDUCER ISSUED AS: OPTICAL SYSTEM FOR DETECTING ACOUSTIC WAVE ENERGY IN A FLUID MEDIUM <i>Internal reference:</i> WG-505 <i>Attorney:</i> JEFF E. GRIFFIN <i>Agent:</i> WAI				

Date: 10/AUG/2006

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## EXHIBIT B

Period from 12/SEP/2005 to 22/SEP/2005

File	Event	Reminder	Due date	Performed
594-25591 US/NP	NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE	22/SEP/2005	22/SEP/2005	28/JUN/2005
	<i>Comments:</i> 27/06/2005-RECEIVED THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE FROM THE USPTO. 28/06/2005-FAXED THE ISSUE FEE TRANSMITTAL TO THE USPTO.			
	<i>Details:</i>			
	<i>Type:</i> PAT			
	<i>Nature:</i> ISSUE FEE			
	<i>Input date:</i> 27/JUN/2005			
	<i>Closed:</i> Yes			
	<i>Acknowledg.:</i> 28/JUN/2005			
	<i>Comments - Title:</i> A NEW METHOD OF AMPLITUDE VARIATION WITH OFFSET ANALYSIS FOR LONG OFFSET P-WAVE SEISMIC DATA			
	<i>Internal reference:</i>			
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